

REMARKS

Claims 5 - 9, 12 - 23, and 26 - 29 are pending.

No new matter has been introduced. In a Notice of Allowance dated June 29, 2005, the Examiner allowed claims 5 - 9, 12 - 23, and 26 - 29.

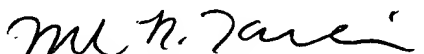
An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is being filed concurrently with this Request for Continued Examination. The IDS identifies references that are United States published patent applications, Japanese patent applications, and a Japanese Office Action. The IDS and PTO-1449 form are presented to the Examiner in lieu of paying the issue fee.

Applicant respectfully requests an Office Action on the merits.

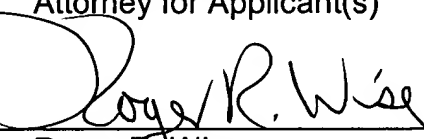
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